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January 9, 2002

Jerry Hascall
Deseret Generation and Transmission Co-operative
12500 East 25500 South
Vernal, Utah 84078-8525

Re: Resolution of Notice of Noncompliance, and Acceptance of "Transitional Reclamation Contract" and Reclamation Surety, Desert Generation and Transmission Co-operative, Diamond Mountain Mine, M/047/066, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hascall:

On October 24, 2001, Deseret Generation and Transmission was issued a Notice of Non-Compliance and a Directive to Cease Mining Operations. The following five mitigation items needed to be met in order to resolve this situation:

- 1) immediately suspend all mining operations and cease removal of mined or stockpiled material
- 2) within 30 days post an \$88,200 transitional surety
- 3) within 45 days submit a complete and technically adequate NOI
- 4) within 45 days submit an additional \$250.00 in permit fees; and
- 5) within 10 days contact DOGM to set up a meeting with Mary Ann Wright to discuss this matter and plans for compliance.

On November 2, 2001, verbal authorization was granted to temporarily continue operations within the existing footprint. *The Directive to Cease Mining is now formally lifted*. Deseret Generation & Transmission may continue mining within the existing 17.64 acre disturbed area footprint until the large mine notice is approved by the Division. *The mitigation of item #1 is hereby resolved*.

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On November 6, 2001, you met with Ms. Wright and Minerals program staff to discuss the operator's plans to resolve the non-compliance notice. *The mitigation of item #5 is hereby resolved*.

On November 29, 2001, the Division received a \$190,000 "transitional surety" and "transitional Reclamation Contract". On December 18, 2001, the Associate Director of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining formally approved the form and amount of "transitional" reclamation surety for Deseret Generation's Diamond Mountain mine. The \$190,000 transitional reclamation surety, is in the form of a Letter of Credit (#ZSB800303) issued by Zions First National Bank. *The mitigation of item #2 is hereby resolved*.

The transitional surety is intended to temporarily cover the anticipated reclamation costs for the current 17.64 acres of disturbance at the Diamond Mountain mine. The transitional surety will remain in place until the large mining notice of intention is approved, but for no longer than a 12-month period. Before final large mine plan approval is granted, the amount of surety may have to be adjusted either up or down and a standard Reclamation Contract must be submitted to the Division. Deseret Generation has voluntarily posted a \$190,000 transitional surety to cover 38 acres of possible future surface disturbance. However, operations are restricted to the current 17.64 acres of disturbance until the large mine plan is approved.

The LMO and the additional \$250.00 permit fee was originally due by December 15, 2001, to satisfy mitigation item #3 and #4. We received emailed map files from you on December 20, 2001. On January 8, 2002, you hand delivered the complete LMO permit application package with maps and a check for \$250.00 to our office. *The mitigation of items #3 & #4 is hereby resolved*.

Once we complete the review process of your application, we will publish a tentative approval decision in the local area and Salt Lake newspapers for this project. A 30-day public comment period will follow. If no substantive public comments are received, we will then be prepared to grant final permit approval, once the final reclamation surety amount is received and accepted by the Division.

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Please be advised that you must also acquire formal approval from the United States Forest Service, before conducting the proposed mining activities on federally managed lands. A copy of your LMO permit application should be forwarded to the local USFS office, to ensure their approval covers the entire scope of your project proposal.

Enclosed please find copies of the fully signed and executed "Transitional" Reclamation Contract and Letter of Credit for your files. We have initiated the review of your LMO application and hope to notify you of its completeness and technical adequacy within the next 30-45 days. Please contact me at (801) 538-5286 or Paul Baker at 538-5261, if you have any questions regarding the content of this letter.

Sincerely,

D. Wayne Hedberg

Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program

Enclosure: copy of Transitional RC and LOC

David Crabtree, Deseret Power (VP & General Counsel, 10714 South Jordan Gateway, South Jordan. Utah 84095)

Chauncie Todd, USFS, Ashley National Forest

Mary Ann Wright, OGM

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FORM MR-TRC RECLAMATION CONTRACT (SMO - LMO transition) (Revised April 17, 2001)

(Address)

(Phone)

DOGM File Number M/047/066

Effective Date 18, 2001

10714 South Jordan Gateway, Suite 300

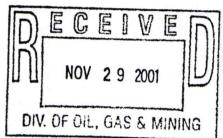
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South Jordan, UT

801/619-6521

# STATE OF UTAH DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION of OIL, GAS and MINING

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#### TRANSITIONAL RECLAMATION CONTRACT

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For the purpose of this RECLAMATION CONTRACT the terms below are defined as

follows: "NOTICE OF INTENTION" (NOI): (File No.) M/047/066 (Mineral Mined) Limestone "MINE LOCATION": Deseret Generation and Transmission (Name of Mine) Diamond Mountain Resources Limestone Mine (Description) It is a lode, development & production Mine The mine is located about 26 miles North Ea of Vernal, Utah "DISTURBED AREA": (Disturbed Acres) less than 40 acres (refer to "Attachment A") (Legal Description) (Topographic Map) ("Attachment C", disturbed area boundary) "OPERATOR": (Company or Name) Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operat (Address) 10714 South Jordan Gateway, Suite 300 South Jordan, UT 84095 (Phone) 801/619-6521 "OPERATOR'S REGISTERED AGENT": David F. Crabtree (Name)

OPERATOR'S OFFICER(S)":	See Attachment "D"
NO. 15 - 7 (1)	
"SURETY": (Form of Surety - Attachment B)	Letter of Credit
"SURETY COMPANY" (Name) (Policy or Acct. No.)	Zions First National Bank
"SURETY AMOUNT":	
	\$190,000.00
"STATE":	State of Utah
"DIVISION":	Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
"BOARD":	Board of Oil, Gas and Mining
ATTACHMENTS:	

This Reclamation Contract (hereinafter referred to as "Contract") is entered into between <u>Descret Generation & Transmission Co-</u> the "Operator" and the Utah State Division of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Division"). A Reclamation Contract is required under Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act, Sections 40-8-1 et seq., Utah Code Annotated, (1953, as amended) (hereinafter referred to as "Act") and implementing rules.

A "DISTURBED AREA":

B "SURETY":

WHEREAS, Operator has exceeded the approved five (5) acre threshold for a small mining operation, R647-3-113, and Operator desires to continue mining operations for an "interim" period of not more than 12 months, upon areas already disturbed totaling 17.64 acres. Within 90 days of the filing of this contract and reclamation surety, the operator agrees to file a complete Notice of Intention to Commence Large Mining Operations (Form MR-LMO) describing a detailed mining and reclamation plan for continued operations at this site. An approved Large Mining Notice of Intention must be in place at the end of a 12 month time period following Division receipt of this contract. Any extension of this filing time period will be in writing and at the sole discretion of the Division.

WHEREAS, Operator is obligated to reclaim that area described as the Disturbed Area and Operator is obligated to provide surety in form and amount approved by the Division, to assure reclamation of the Disturbed Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Division and the Operator agree as follows:

- 1. Operator agrees to conduct reclamation of the Disturbed Area in accordance with the Act and implementing regulations.
- 2. Concurrent with the execution hereof, Operator has provided surety to assure that reclamation is conducted, in form and amount acceptable to the Division.

Division. The approved form and amount of surety is attached hereto as Attachment B and made a part hereof. The surety shall remain in full force and effect according to its terms unless modified by the Division in writing. If the form of surety expressly provides for cancellation, then, within 60 days following the Division's receipt of notice that the Surety Company intends to cancel the surety, the Operator shall provide a replacement surety in a form and amount reasonably acceptable to the Division. If the Operator fails to provide an acceptable replacement surety, the Division may order the Operator to cease further mining activities and to begin immediate reclamation of the Disturbed Area.

- 3. Operator agrees to pay legally determined public liability and property damage claims resulting from mining to the extent provided in Section 40-8-7(1)(e) of the Act.
- Operator agrees to perform all duties and fulfill all reclamation requirements applicable to the mine as required by the Act and implementing rules including but not limited to, the previously accepted Small Mining Notice, as amended.
- 5. The Operator's liability under this Contract shall, continue in full force and effect until the Division certifies 1) that the Operator has reclaimed the Disturbed Area in accordance with the Act and implementing rules, and the previously accepted Small Mining Notice, as amended, or 2) until a mining and reclamation plan for a large mining operation has been approved by the Division and the final Reclamation Contract and surety are in place.
- 6. Operator agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the State, Board and the Division from any claim, demand, liability, cost, charge, suit, or obligation of whatsoever nature arising from the failure of Operator or Operator's agents and employees, or contractors to comply with this Contract.
- 7. Operator may, at any time, submit a request to the Division to substitute surety. The Division may approve such substitution if the substitute surety meets the requirements of the Act and the implementing rules.
- 8. This Contract shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Utah, and is in addition to any other rights and authorities the Division and Board have to seek relief from the Operator.
- 9. If Operator shall default in the performance of its obligations hereunder, Operator agrees to pay all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred by the Division and/or the Board in the enforcement of this Contract.

- 10. Any breach that the Division finds to be material of the provisions of this Contract by Operator may, at the discretion of the Division, result in an to cease mining operations. After opportunity for notice and hearing, the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining may enter an Order to revoke the Small Mining Notice of Intention, order reclamation, or order forfeiture of the surety, or take such other action as is authorized by law.
- 11. In the event of forfeiture of the surety, Operator shall be liable for any additional costs in excess of the surety amount which are required to comply with this Contract. Any excess monies resulting from forfeiture of the surety, upon completion of reclamation and compliance with this Contract, shall be returned to the rightful claimant.
- 12. This Contract including the Small Mining Notice of Intention, as amended, represents the entire agreement of the parties involved, and any modification must be approved in writing by the parties involved.
- 13. Each signatory below represents that he/she is authorized to execute this Contract on behalf of the named party.

OPERATOR:	
Deseret Generation & Transmission Co-operative	
Operator Name	
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By Soren K. Sorensen Authorized Officer (Typed or Printed)	
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Senior Vice President and CF()	
Authorized Officer - Position	
Don & Dorense	11/14/01
Officer's Signature	Date
STATE OF _UTAH )	
COUNTY OF Salt Lake ) ss:	
On the 1/11 day of y	
On the 14th day of November, 2001, Sore personally appeared before me, who being by me duly swor	n K. Sorensen
Senior VP & CFO of Deseret Generation & Transmis	sion Co-operative and duly
acknowledged that said instrument was signed on behalf of	said company by authority of its
bylaws or a resolution of its board of directors and said So	ren K. Sorensen
duly acknowledged to me that said company executed the s	same.
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Notary Public	
Residing at	
DEBRA P. HORROCKS NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF UTAH	
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SANDY, UT 84092 COMM. EXPIRES 1-21-2002	

DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING:	
By Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director	Date Date
STATE OF	ss:
On the S day of Scendur, personally appeared before me, who being duly so many Ann Langton Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, Department of Naduly acknowledged to me that she executed the followhalf of the State of Utah.	atural Resources, State of Utah, and he/she
	Notary Public Residing at: Salt Bake City UT
My Commission Expires:	JOELLE BURNS NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF UTAH 1594 W. N. Temple, #1210 Salt Lake City, UT 84114 My Comm. Exp. 4-4-2005

### **ATTACHMENT "A"**

Deseret Generation and			
Transmission Co-operative	Diamond Mountain	Resources Limestone	Mine
Operator	Mine Name		
M/047/066	Uintah	County, Utah	
Permit Number			

### Permit Number

### **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

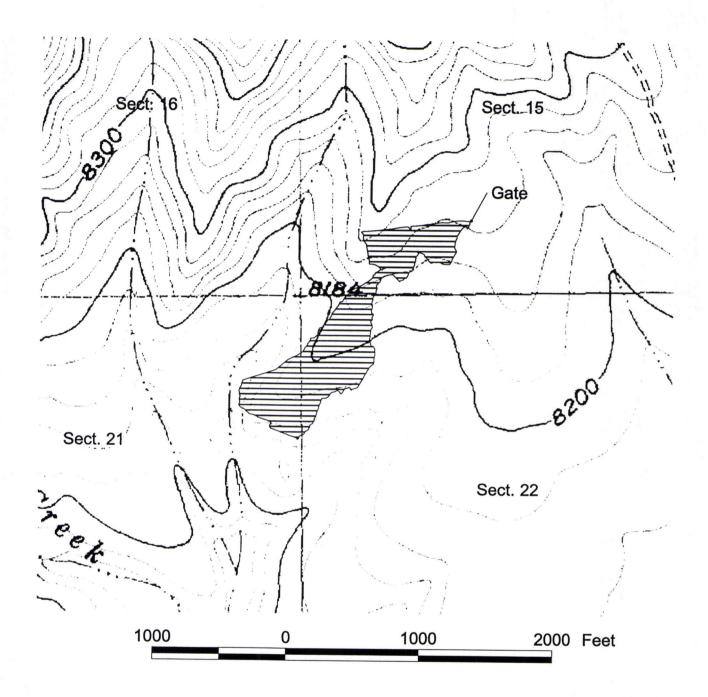
Include 1/4, 1/4, sections, townships, ranges and any other descriptions that will legally determine where disturbed lands are located. Attach a topographic map of suitable scale (max. 1 inch = 500 feet; 1 inch = 200 feet or larger scale is preferred) showing township, range and sections and a clear outline of the disturbed area boundaries tied to this Reclamation Contract and surety.

### The detailed legal description of lands to be disturbed is:

Portions of the following lands, totaling 17.34 acres of current disturbance as reflected on the attached GPS map from information gathered 10/16/2001.

> S/2 SW/4 SW/4, Section 15 E/2 NE/4 NE/4, Section 21 W/2 NW/4 NW/4, Section 22

Township 1 South, Range 22 East, SLBM

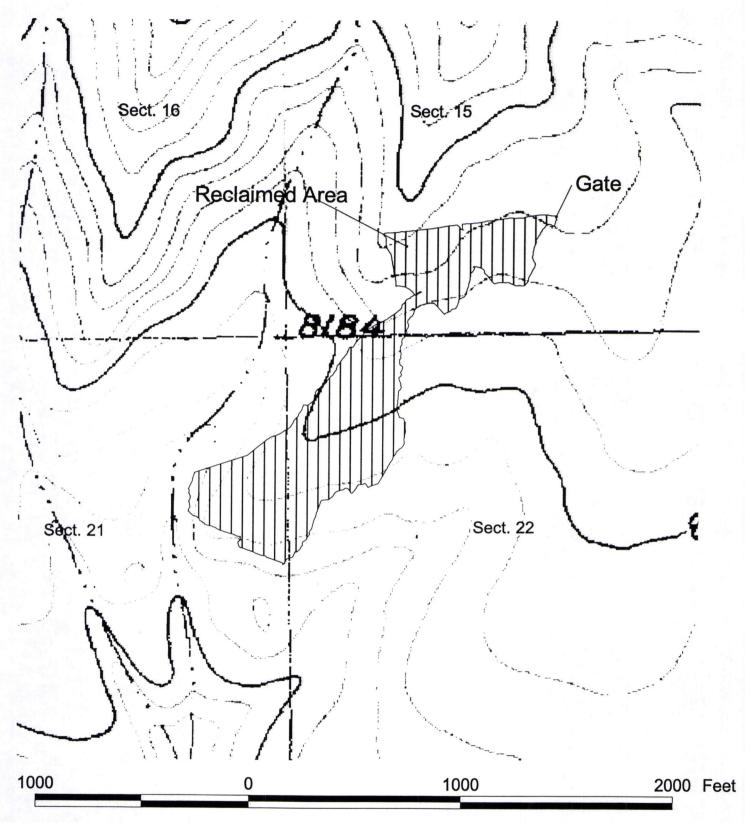


# Deseret Generation and Transmission Diamond Mountain Resources

### S/047/066

Prepared 10-17-01 by Paul Baker, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, from information gathered 10-16-01. Total acreage: 17.64 acres. Quad Name: Burnt Cabin Gorge. Township 1 South, Range 22 East, SLBM

The Division does not guarantee the accuracy of this map.



### Deseret Generation and Transmission Diamond Mountain Resources



M/047/066

Prepared 12-05-01 by Paul Baker, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, from information gathered 10-16-01. Total acreage: 17.64 acres. Quad Name: Burnt Cabin Gorge.

Township 1 South, Range 22 East, SLBM. The Division does not guarantee the accuracy of this map.

### ATTACHMENT D

## <u>DESERET GENERATION & TRANSMISSION CO-OPERATIVE</u> <u>OFFICERS</u>

Kim Charles Chairman

Durand Robison Vice Chairman

Dean Stubbs Secretary/Treasurer

Kimball R. Rasmussen President & CEO

Debra Horrocks Assistant Secretary

Soren K. Sorensen Senior Vice President and CFO

David F. Crabtree Vice President and General Counsel

J. Edward Thatcher Vice President/Chief Engineer

Curtis K. Winterfeld Vice President of Marketing

# ZIONS BANK Established in 1873

International Operations 250 E. First Street, Ste 500 Los Angeles, California 90012 Phone: (213) 633-5663 / (800) 551-0110 Fax: (213) 628-8489 S.W.I.F.T: ZFNBUS55

Standby Letter of Credit

L/C No

November 20,2001

#### IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT NO.

BENEFICIARY: STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING, BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING 1594 WEST NORTH TEMPLE, SUITE 1210 BOX 145801 SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH 84114-5801

**EXPIRATION:** 

November 20, 2002 or any automatically extended date as herein below set forth

AMOUNT: USD190,000.00

Dear Sir/Madam:

- 1. Zions First National Bank ("Surety"), of Los Angeles, California, hereby establishes this Irrevocable Letter of Credit (the "Letter of Credit") in favor of the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Division") for an aggregate amount not to exceed One Hundred Ninety Thousand US DOLLARS (USD 190,000.00) effective immediately.
- 2. This Letter of Credit will expire upon the first event set forth as follows: (a) 5:00 o'clock p.m. (Salt Lake City time) on November 20, 2002 or (b) the date upon which sufficient documents are executed by the Division to release Deseret Power dba For Deseret Generation Transmission Cooperative ("Operator") from further liability for reclamation of the Diamond Mountain Resources, (mine) M047/066 (mine permit No.) with notice to Zions First National Bank by the Division accompanied by the original Letter of Credit with directions for cancellation.
- 3. This Letter of Credit will be automatically extended, without amendment, for successive periods of one year from the current or any future expiration date unless Zions First National Bank gives notice to the Division Ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date that Zions First National Bank elects not to renew the Letter of Credit.
- 4. Funds under the Letter of Credit are available against the Division's sight draft, in the form of Exhibit A, specifying Letter of Credit No delivered to the office of Zions First National Bank, International Operations, 250 East First Street, Suite 500, Los Angeles, California 90012. At the Division's sole election, the Division may present sight drafts for less than the Face Amount so long as the aggregate amount of all sight drafts does not exceed the Face Amount. Each draft must be accompanied by a certificate in the form of Exhibit B, signed by a duly authorized representative of the Division.
- 5. If Zions First National Bank receives the Division's sight draft(s) and certificate(s) as provided in Paragraph No. 4 above on or before the expiration or termination of this Letter of Credit, Zions First National Bank will make such amount as the Division may specify, within the limits of the second sentence of Paragraph No. 4 of this Letter of Credit, available to the Division no later than the close of business, Salt Lake City time, on the second business day following Zions First National Bank's receipt of the sight draft and certificate and in such a manner as the Division may specify.
- 6. Zions First National Bank will give prompt notice to the Operator and to the Division Director of any notice received or action filed alleging the insolvency or bankruptcy of Zions First National Bank, or alleging any violations of regulatory requirements which could result in suspension or revocation of the Zions First National Bank's charter or license to do business.
- 7. The Letter of Credit will be governed by the laws of the State of Utah and shall be subject to the Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credit, 1993 revision, International Chamber of

Commerce Publication No. 500, as the same may be amended and in effect from time to time ("UCP"). In the event of conflict between Utah law and the UCP, Utah law shall govern.

8. All communications regarding this Letter of credit will be addressed to Zions First National Bank, International Operations, 250 East First Street, Suite 500, Los Angeles, California 90012., referencing Letter of Credit No

Very Truly yours,

Zions First National Bank

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ANNE LANE

(Authorized Signature)

Title: OPERATIONS OFFICER

### EXHIBIT B

# To Letter of Credit Number \_\_\_\_\_

Oil, Gas and Mining, hereby certi, by sight draft accomdated the Letter of credit. (2) the Letter to its terms, (3) the amount of the drawn under the Letter of Credit, Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, aft has not been stayed, ordering for with applicable law. Proceeds of expenses relating to the reclamatic	y authorized representative of the Use of that (1) the drawing in the amount panying this certificate, under Lett is issued by you is permitted under of Credit has neither expired nor to sight draft, together with any amount, does not exceed the Face Amount, ter notice and hearing, has entered a feiture of Letter of Credit No this drawing will be utilized in full ion liability, together with the costs	nt of \$ eer of Credit No. or the provision of erminated pursuant unts previously and (4) the Utah and Order which in accordance to pay the of collection,
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	The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and	Mining
	Ву:	
	Authorized Signature	
	Date:	

### EXHIBIT A – SIGHT DRAFT To Letter of Credit Number

Date	City, County	Letter of Credit No.
PAY TO THE ORDER OF:	Utah	Division of Oil, Gas and Mining
		DOLLARS
To: (Name of Bank or Surety And	7)	
(Address)		
	Utah 1 1594 V Box 14	Division of Oil, Gas and Mining West North Temple, Suite 1210 45801
	Salt L	ake City, Utah 84114-5801
	By:	
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